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SIR WILLIAM M. HUGHES

Australia's Premier Says Civilization's Fate Hangs by a Hair.



The premier of Australia, the Right Hon. William Morris Hughes, addressing the members of the Pilgrim Society at a dinner in the Union League Club, New York, made known the purpose of his visit to America and revealed to a further extent the German plan of world conquest. He said that the crisis of the war has now come and that sacrifice must be made freely else the Teuton will sweep all before him. "The fate of civilization hangs by a hair," he said.

HOLD UP HUN DRIVE

One of the Rheims Forts Falls, but Is Immediately Retaken.

Enemy Has Not Crossed the Marne and the Allied Line Stiffens on Both Sides.

Paris. — The strength of General Foch's reserves has been felt by the armies of the German crown prince in the "battle for Paris."

East of the line running from Soissons to Chateau Thierry, where the Germans on Saturday gained several additional villages and then attempted to proceed further westward, magnificent opposition was imposed by the newly strengthened lines, and with terrific snashes the French forces recaptured Longpont, Corcy, Faveroles and Troosnes, vantage points in the center of the line leading to the forest of Villers Cotterets, which seems to be the present objective here of the enemy. Faveroles was again lost later.

The Germans, however, still have in their possession the village of Vauzelles, lying to the west of Soissons, and further south Sacolin-et-Breuil, Chaudun, Licy and Bouresches, the last named directly west of Chateau Thierry. A little to the southwest of Chateau Thierry the enemy has reached the Marne.

Having failed in their efforts to conquer Rheims by direct assault, it now seems to be the intention of the Germans further to widen their occupation of the territory lying south of the Rheims-Dormans road and thereby outflank the cathedral city and bring about its capitulation. In the fighting in the immediate vicinity of Rheims the enemy won the fort of La Pompe, but his tenure of the position was short lived, for the French troops in a counter attack reconquered it.

Taken all in all, the second week of the new battle found the allied line from Soissons to Rheims, although it had been bent back at various points, not so hard pressed as on previous days and seemingly more capable of resisting the enemy's onslaughts. Just how many men the allies are opposing against the 45 German divisions that are now actively engaged on the Soissons-Rheims front has not become apparent, but the fact that on the west the enemy is being not only held, but driven back at points and on the southern end of the salient he has been able to make only slight new progress is apparent evidence that a turn in the battle is not far distant.

\$600,000,000 FOR BATTLESHIPS.

Bill for Immediate Increase of Army to 5,000,000 Men.

Washington. — Two challenges from the United States senate were flung at the Kaiser as soon as the news of the U boat ravages in American waters reached that body.

Senator Francis of Maryland introduced a bill appropriating \$600,000,000 for the construction at once of 26 battle cruisers and ten scout cruisers. Senator McCumber asked for an army of 5,000,000 men.

CHILD LABOR LAW INVALID.

Ban on Products of Workers Under Fourteen Unconstitutional.

Washington. — The federal child labor law of 1916 forbidding interstate shipment of products of child labor was declared unconstitutional and invalid by the United States Supreme Court. Injunctions restraining the government from putting the statute into effect and restraining a Charlotte (N. C.) cotton mill from discharging children employed by it were sustained by the court.

LATEST NEWS IN ABRIDGED FORM

Events That Concern the Two Hemispheres Recorded So as to Be Read at a Glance.

BULLETINS ABOUT THE WAR.

Progress of Hostilities in the Heavens Above, the Earth Beneath and the Waters of the Seven Seas.

WAR BULLETINS

The German offensive has been brought to a halt.

The German losses are becoming increasingly severe. The Prussian Guards division has had to be withdrawn on account of the thinning of the ranks. The foe no longer can progress by "infiltration," or shifting small bodies through holes in the allied line, but must attack in masses.

General Foch has struck back on both sides of the big Aisne salient, taking several villages and driving back the Huns south of Soissons and below Rheims.

French and Germans are fighting in Chateau-Thierry, on the banks of the Marne. The allied lines are everywhere stiffening.

Germans captured La Pompe, one of the Rheims forts, but it was immediately retaken.

The Kaiser is traveling in a camouflaged automobile to points near the front.

On the flanks of the great Aisne salient the French have fought stubbornly and materially retarded the enemy advance. Southwest of Rheims a French counter attack drove the enemy out of Thillois, which he had captured May 29.

Along an 80 mile front Ludendorff is now striking for Paris, 45 miles away. In the center so far he has scored his maximum success.

The Germans have now thrown 45 divisions into the new battle. Most of Ludendorff's remaining reserves are still held in the north. Whether he will shift these to the Marne front in an attempt to reach a decision will be decided soon.

WASHINGTON

General Pershing's report of June 2 denies the German official announcement that Franco-American depots have been captured by the enemy.

Swift battle cruisers, to cost \$800,000,000, were asked for in a bill introduced by Senator France. Concurrently a bill to raise the fighting force of the army to 5,000,000, exclusive of men behind the lines, was introduced.

Secretary McAdoo consented to turn over to the senate evidence of alleged profiteering and tax frauds.

Forty-seven million subscribers, or nearly half the nation's population, gave to the second Red Cross war fund. The total gathered is nearing \$170,000,000 as the count continues.

Congressional leaders in conference with representatives of League for National Unity frame test of loyalty for political candidates.

Surgeon General Bailett issued an urgent appeal for more nurses for the navy, calling upon all graduates to come forward and give their services.

The house passed the \$12,041,682,500 army appropriation bill, the largest in the nation's history, without a dissenting vote.

Secretary McAdoo calls upon Representative Kitchin for a retraction of his assertion that treasury officials were influenced by a newspaper lobby in urging revenue legislation at this session of congress.

The house took steps to censure cabinet members retaining draft slackers in their departments.

Washington officials consider that the German military machine has absorbed Austria under the new treaty.

GENERAL

Mayor Hylan of New York discontinued his libel actions against the New York World and became liable for court costs of about \$5,000.

Senator Borah and Senator Fall start move in senate to abolish secret diplomacy and consider all treaties in open session.

The Supreme Court in Washington decided that the courts of the United States have no power over selective draft boards.

Arrangements have been completed by the war department to send about 4,000 negroes to special radio engineering schools.

Control of hospital staffs under a federal health administrator to insure a supply of physicians, nurses and internes was urged by the American Hospital Association.

The federal child labor law of 1916 forbidding interstate shipment of products of child labor was declared unconstitutional and invalid by the Supreme Court.

Harry J. Webster, an aviation cadet at Fort Worth, Tex., from Grand Rapids, was burned to death in his airplane after a collision in midair. Marine insurance rates in New York were doubled.

Two American war vessels and a flotilla of smaller vessels fought the first sea fight in American waters off Delaware Breakwater, when they pursued the German U boat that sank the tanker Herbert L. Pratt. The roar of guns was heard on shore, indicating that a real fight had taken place.

Naval officers at Norfolk, Va., said their reports indicated five German submarines had been operating along the Atlantic coast, and that two had been sighted off the Virginia capes.

Elisha Lee was appointed as federal manager of the Pennsylvania railroad for the Allegheny district by Charles H. Markham, regional director of that district for the federal railroad administration.

Colonel Roosevelt after a speaking trip in the middle west said Wisconsin is heartily loyal and is doing wonderful war work.

The Red Cross fund has reached a total of \$165,064,784.

German-American War

Germany has carried her long predicted submarine offensive to the American coast. So far it is known that 11 vessels—four steam driven and seven of sail—have been sent to the bottom.

Members of the House Naval Committee were assured by Secretary Daniels that Atlantic coast defenses were adequate, and it would be unnecessary to recall vessels from the war zone to deal with submarines on this side.

Prime minister of Australia finds his own fighting Anzacs and American soldiers much alike and declares troops of United States will win war for allies.

America will help solve Russia's food problem by purchasing supplies in Siberia and distributing them in Russia in Europe.

Announcement was made by the navy department that four officers and 20 men are believed to be missing in the sinking of the transport President Lincoln.

The British Medical Mission to the United States brings highest praise of the efficiency and heroism of American physicians and nurses at the battle front.

The Americans penetrated the German positions to a depth of more than 400 yards. They found numbers of dead Germans, who had been killed by the American artillery fire. Information was secured, and the Americans blew up defensive works and dug-outs.

SPORTING

Nemo Leibold has been hitting poorly, and Eddie Murphy has beat him out for a regular place in the White Sox outfield.

The Washingtons, for the first time in several years, are looming up in stick work.

American League fans in other cities are beginning to take their hats off to Miller Huggins of the New York Yankees.

Cy Williams has strengthened the Phillies in batting.

Ralph De Palma was the winner of the 100 miles Harkness Handicap automobile race at Sheephead Bay, New York, in 58 minutes, 21 seconds, the scorers having made a mistake in giving the race to Tom Milton, who was really second.

While one of the most stupendous battles in the history of the world was being waged and the roar of cannon could be heard in the distance American soldiers and sailors took part in athletic games on the grounds of the Racing Club at Colombes, near Paris.

Pitcher Dick Rudolph was restored to good standing in organized baseball by the National Commission. The commission received an application from Rudolph stating that he had come to terms with the Boston Nationals and during his layoff had played with no other team.

Kentuckians are beginning to think that they have the champion two-year-old in Billy Kelly, belonging to W. P. Polson. This son of Dick Wells has won four straight victories without a defeat.

FOREIGN

The American forces gave the Germans so much more than they expected, in the defeat at Cantigny, that the Germans have not made a counter assault.

The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland has called for 50,000 Irish volunteers for immediate service, with a monthly allotment from 2,000 to 3,000 to maintain the Irish divisions.

Dr. Ramon Valdez, President of the Republic of Panama, dies suddenly.

Leading Paris newspapers expect Foch to deliver a heavy counter offensive stroke soon.

The allied troops are in high spirits, believing that they now have the situation well in hand.

Woman suffrage in Hungary was rejected by the Hungarian parliament.

A German-Japanese alliance is out of the question, declares the premier of Japan, who says his country's interests are bound up in an entente victory.

The central powers have felt the war worse than the allies in the loss of population. Germany has dropped 5 per cent, Austria 11 and Hungary 13, while England has made a slight gain.

American naval officials are installing a wireless telegraphy station in France. It will be connected with Annapolis and will be ready in August.

HERBERT H. ASQUITH

The Former British Premier Is Named in Teuton "Vice Book."



London. — Noel Pemberton-Billing, member of parliament for East Hertfordshire and publisher of the newspaper Vigilante, opening his defense in his trial in the Bow street police court on the charge of libeling Maud Allen, dancer, called Mrs. Villiers Stewart to prove the existence of a book, which had been prepared by German secret agents, containing the names of 47,000 British persons said to be addicted to vice and held in bondage to Germany through fear of exposure.

PRES. LINCOLN SUNK

Torpedoed U. S. Transport Remained Afloat One Hour.

She Was One of the Great Hamburg-American Liners Seized by the United States.

Washington. — The United States transport President Lincoln, formerly the Hamburg-American liner, of 18,500 tons displacement, has been sunk by a German U boat while on her way back to this country after landing troops.

Word of her sinking was flashed to the navy department by Vice Admiral Sims, but no details were given beyond the fact that she remained afloat an hour.

The President Lincoln was 600 miles from the French coast when sunk.

The announcement of her sinking, made by the navy department, said:

The navy department has received a dispatch from Vice Admiral Sims stating that the United States steamship President Lincoln was torpedoed at 10:40 o'clock this morning and sunk an hour later. The vessel was returning from Europe. No further particulars have been received.

Reports of other sinkings by U boats received unofficially here indicate that the U boats may have opened a desperate drive along the line frequently predicted of late. The Germans have said they would center attention on American transports and cut off communication between the United States and Europe. The attack on the President Lincoln may be the first blow struck in a carefully planned campaign. Opinion in naval circles is unanimous that the German efforts will be thwarted.

That she was attacked so far from the French coast makes it appear possible in the opinion of naval officials that she ran across one of the large German submarines, possibly one of the latest cruiser type, which carry five inch guns. Vice Admiral Sims' brief dispatch makes it certain, however, that she was sunk by a torpedo and not by gunfire.

140 INDICTED IN SPY HUNT.

Prominent Wisconsin Said to Figure in Espionage Charges.

Milwaukee. — More than 140 indictments, charging violations of the espionage act, have been returned by the federal grand jury, which has been in session at Superior, Wis.

While federal officials refused to discuss the action of the grand jury, it was stated by persons in close touch with the situation that several men prominent in Wisconsin are named in the indictments.

PLAGUE KILLS 111 IN A DAY.

Mysterious Disease in Spain Has Spread to Morocco.

Madrid. — The mysterious plague, which resembles influenza, has spread to Morocco, according to a dispatch received here. The Spanish garrison there has become affected.

One day's deaths in Spain totaled 111. In the last ten days plague victims have numbered more than 700. There are about 100,000 victims of the disease in the Spanish capital alone.

U BOATS ACTIVE ALONG ATLANTIC

U. S. Navy Employs Its Entire Resources in Combating New Hun Menace.

AIRPLANES PATROL COAST.

Secretary Daniels, Who Closes All Atlantic Ports, Says Defenses Are Adequate—Airplanes and Dirigibles Patrol the Coast.

New York. — The supersubmarines of the Germans, which everybody has been expecting since America joined the forces arrayed against Germany's plan of civilizing the world in her own way, have arrived off the coast of the United States and are at the task of reducing the amount of our shipping.

Just how much they have destroyed is not known exactly, but the navy has confirmation of the loss of one large coastwise passenger steamship, two steam freighters, one tank steamship and seven schooners.

Definite information that the submarines had been operating in these waters for at least eight days and perhaps two weeks came when forty-eight survivors from four schooners and a steamship reached the Battery. They were brought to Quarantine by the steamship San Saba, and with the thrilling story that the survivors told of being held captives for eight days on a U boat came the added information of the sinking of the steamer Winneconne and the schooners Hauppauge and Edna, in addition to the other ships that had been officially reported as sunk.

Out of all the conflicting reports, the following facts stand out:

That there are certainly two and probably five submarines of a large and improved type, estimated at 250 feet over all and mounting two guns each. The guns are believed to be four or five inch pieces.

That they have been operating in American waters for more than a week.

That their commanders are at least observing some of the laws of humane sea warfare since no one has been reported killed.

The vessels destroyed are: The steamship Carolina of the New York and Porto Rico Steamship Company has been sunk. The 224 passengers and crew of 130 took to the boats when the underwater craft began shelling the liner.

The steamer Texel was sunk Sunday afternoon 60 miles off the Jersey coast. The crew of 36 men landed at Atlantic City.

The steamship Winneconne has been sunk.

The schooner Edward H. Cole of Boston has been sunk by bombs. Capt. H. J. Newcomb of Boston, with his crew of ten, have been landed here after being rescued from the boat in which they were given an opportunity to escape.

The schooners Jacob M. Haskell of Boston, Isabel B. Willey of Bath, Me.; Hattie Dunn of Thomaston, Me.; the Edna, the Hauppauge and Samuel W. Hathaway have been sunk.

The Savannah line steamship City of Columbus is reported to have been sunk, but no definite news of her fate has been received.

The Atlantic Refining Company

tanker Herbert L. Pratt was sunk four miles off Cape Henlopen, Del., by a submarine. The crew was landed at Lewes, Del.

It was learned authoritatively that

no attacks have been made on American transports off the American coast. All ships were held in ports, however, as a precaution.

As comfort to the residents on the exposed sections of the Atlantic it is stated officially that the total number of vessels of all sizes engaged in the patrol and search for the submarines is approximately 2,000.

Airplanes and hydroplanes also are

searching for the pirate craft.

PITH OF THE WAR NEWS

The allies present a continuous and solid line, which can be assailed only by frontal attacks.

According to the accounts of unofficial observers, wherever the Germans have been able since the stiffening of the allied lines to attain new positions an exorbitant price in lives has been exacted from them.

Faveroles, two miles from Villers-Cotterets, on the southeast, has been retaken by the French.

On the Flanders front the British have carried out successful raids, capturing two farms near Viedy Berguin.

The German drive from the Aisne is coming to an end. The enemy made no net gains for the first time in a week, his progress being neutralized by French counter attacks. He is held on the Marne between Chateau-Thierry and Vermeuil.

General Foch has brought his reserves to bear upon the invaders, and their presence is manifested with telling force.

So great have been the casualties suffered that the Prussian Guards division—the pride of the German crown prince—is declared to have been withdrawn from the battle.